

HONORING KARINA BARILLAS

HON. MORGAN McGARVEY

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Mr. MCGARVEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Karina Barillas for her dedication to Louisville's Latin American community.

A native of Guatemala, Karina came to the United States as a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Louisville. She has spent her career advocating for women's rights, and as executive director of La Casita Center in my district, champions the well-being of our city's Latin American community.

She is a steadfast champion for women and immigrant rights, and I thank her for her service to Louisville.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF
JAMES CRAWFORD**HON. MARCUS J. MOLINARO**

OF NEW YORK

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Mr. MOLINARO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of James Crawford who passed away on February 28th of this year. James was a devoted father, husband, and man of faith who will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

James will long be remembered for many meaningful contributions he made to his community. He was founder and director of both Community Faith Partners and the Herald Examiner, a newspaper he published with his wife Nancy for 32 years.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in honoring the memory of James Crawford. While we mourn his passing, we celebrate his life and the legacy he leaves behind. May his life and memory always be a blessing.

HONORING JENNY MOHESS AS A
DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL
FLORIDA FOR WOMEN'S
HISTORY MONTH**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

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Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Jenny Mohess hails from Trinidad and Tobago and has lived in Osceola County for over 23 years. She stepped onto Valencia College's campus in 2000 as an international student. She earned her associate of science in graphics from Valencia College, a bachelor's degree in business from the University of South Florida, and a master's degree in art education from Boston University. She is currently pursuing a doctoral degree in educational leadership. Another milestone for Ms. Mohess was becoming a United States citizen in 2012. These experiences led to a career at Apple Inc. and Microsoft Corp. and allowed her to own a design studio. Jenny has also taught at Valencia College for over 15 years and has found a genuine purpose for mentoring future graphic/web

designers through the Valencia Graphics Program.

In 2018, she worked on a project to take the graphics program into the Osceola School District and build the program at Tohopekaliga High School—a new STEAM high school with a focus on arts and career and technical education. The program is now the No. 1 program in the district and won an Adobe World Champion Design Competition in 2022 after 4 short years of being active.

Jenny has made it her mission to live her passion of being a servant leader in her community and will fight for all rights of students despite where they come from. She strongly believes if they work hard, they can achieve anything. It takes a village and for someone to care about their goals and dreams.

Jenny has also served the community through the Hope Partnership and is a board member of the Arts Education Coalition—a volunteer group committed to art education in Osceola County. In her spare time, Jenny loves animals and has pets of her own, Teddy, Lily Cocoa, Quincy, and Phoebe. She has also been a committed mentor with Take Stock in Children.

HONORING CARMELLIA JACKSON-
HURLEY**HON. MORGAN McGARVEY**

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Mr. MCGARVEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Carmellia Jackson-Hurley for her commitment to the Louisville community.

As executive director of Louisville Girls Leadership, she provides young girls in Louisville opportunities to grow their self-development and leadership skills through education, advocacy, and action. Carmellia also works as a therapist, helping members of our community heal.

Her work to inspire the next generation of women leaders means a great deal to me and so many Louisvillians. I thank Carmellia for her service.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF SIG
HUTCHINSON**HON. WILEY NICKEL**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

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Mr. NICKEL. Mr. Speaker, it's my honor to pay tribute to the distinguished career of Wake County Commissioner Sig Hutchinson. It's my privilege to recognize his invaluable contributions to the people and communities of Wake County and to wish him a well-deserved and happy retirement.

Born in west Texas, Commissioner Hutchinson moved to Raleigh after graduating with a bachelor's degree from Texas Technical College and earning a master's degree in education from the University of South Carolina. He began exploring Wake County's greenway trails with his family recreationally and saw the untapped potential to make Wake County a more accessible and sustainable community.

Commissioner Hutchinson has served on the Wake County Board of Commissioners

since 2014 and has successfully led seven bond referendums totaling over \$400 million in Wake County and the City of Raleigh.

Commissioner Hutchinson's efforts to preserve open space, expand the greenway system, and make communities healthy and livable have earned him a reputation as a champion for the environment and for public health.

In addition to his work as a county commissioner, Commissioner Hutchinson has held leadership roles in numerous regional and State boards and associations, including the Triangle Land Conservancy, Advocates for Health in Action, and NC Prevention Partners. He currently serves in leadership positions with the Upper Neuse River Basin Association, Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, Live Well Wake, National Association of Counties, and Go Triangle.

I'd like to extend my sincerest gratitude to Commissioner Sig Hutchinson for his years of service to North Carolina and to wish him all the best in his retirement from the Wake County Board of Commissioners. He will be deeply missed, but his legacy of community development and environmental stewardship will endure for generations to come.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and celebrating Commissioner Sig Hutchinson.

HONORING LASHANNA WARD AS A
DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL
FLORIDA FOR WOMEN'S
HISTORY MONTH**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

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Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, LaShanna Ward is a mother of one and currently works for the Osceola County School District as a dean secretary at St. Cloud Middle School. She currently assists the nurse's clinic, athletic department, and various other programs. She is on the ESP bargaining team and is the incoming vice president of ESP of her local union. She has also been a cafeteria monitor, a paraprofessional for special education students, a self-care aide, and a paraprofessional for in-school suspension. She has worked for the summer extended day learning program for over 4 years. She was also in the nursing field and started as a CNA for about 15 years and has been a member of a volunteer EMS Corp for over 20 years at the Brentwood Legion Ambulance Corps in Brentwood, New York. She lived in Brentwood for more than 38 years.

She attended Brentwood schools and graduated in 1998 from Brentwood Soderling High School. Then she started with the Brentwood Legion Ambulance as an explorer of post 325 in 1996 and has been a member there ever since, holding various positions in EMS which she still holds. She has also been vice president of a group called the African People Association. She then worked with many other groups throughout the area such as Head Start and Harvest Time Ministries & Worship Center. She moved to Florida on November 1, 2015, and is a person who most of all loves the Lord and enjoys being a part of many groups in the church, such as the director of the music ministry, praise team, missionary, and children and youth ministry. She